



PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Makoto OGINO, et al.

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For: METHOD FOR SCREENING AN AGENT FOR IMPROVING INSULIN RESISTANCE

**SUBMISSION OF ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF
INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Attached please find a copy of an English Translation of the International Preliminary Examination Report received from the Applicants, to advance prosecution in the event such is not readily available from the International Bureau. Claims 1-8 of the application were found to be novel, involve an inventive step and include industrial applicability; claim 9 was not examined on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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